

9. Method according to claim 1 or 3 wherein the treatment or prevention comprises administration of a dosage unit of EPO and/or an EPO equivalent.

10. Method according to claim 1 or 3 wherein a combination of α -MSH and/or α -MSH
5 equivalent with EPO and/or an EPO equivalent is administered.

11. Use of α -MSH and/or an equivalent of α -MSH and/or EPO and/or an EPO equivalent for the preparation of a medicament for treatment or prevention of a non-ischemic condition.

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12. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a unit dosage of EPO and/or EPO equivalent and a unit dosage of α -MSH and/or of an α -MSH equivalent together with a suitable pharmaceutical carrier.